

NEAR Detector Event Reconstruction

Event Slicing

Progress report on **AltReco**: the **Neural Net** - based event reconstruction

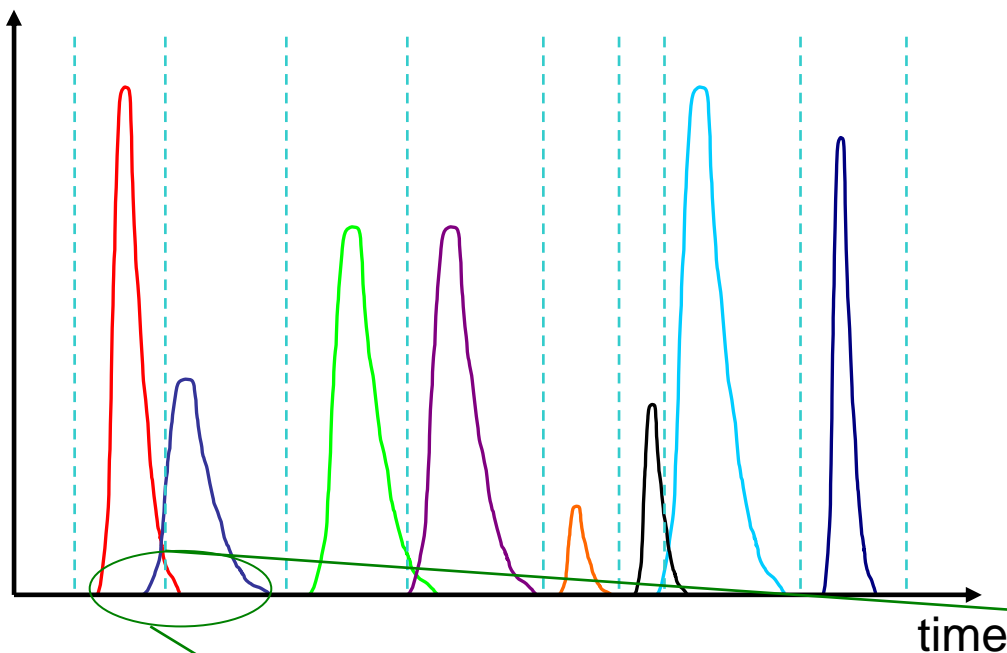
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-- Near Detector Physics & Beam Systematics Working Group meeting – Oct. 07, 2003

-- Reconstruction Working Group meeting – Oct. 09, 2003

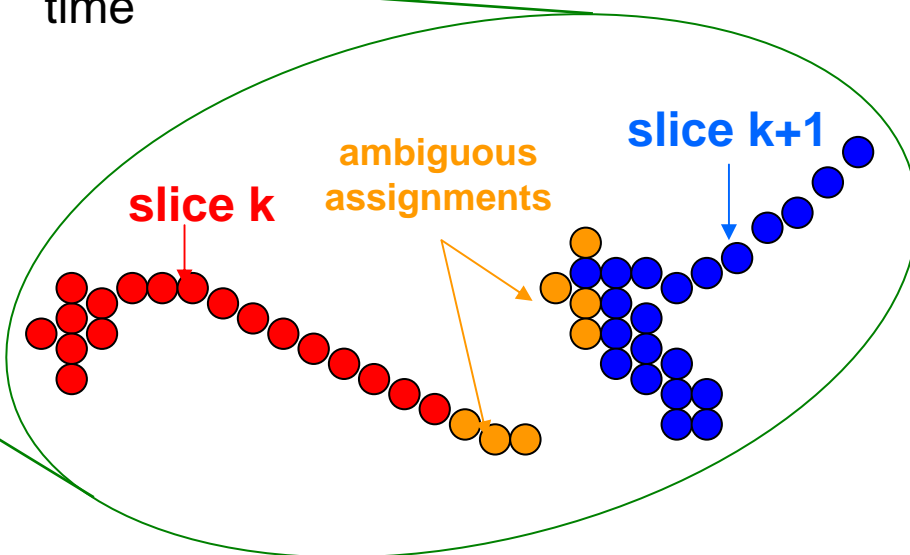
- In the collaboration meeting, I presented a **fast Neural Net**–based method for **track/shower pattern recognition** early in the reconstruction stage...
- I also flashed a page on my **event slice reconstruction** for which I was not ready to talk.
- After the collaboration meeting, I worked mostly on event slicing.
- *In this talk:*
 - *Event Slicing: Illustrating the basic idea*
 - *The time-profile peak finder*
 - *The effect of ND time resolution*
 - *Tuning the peak finder*
 - *A ‘recursive’ approach for the peak finder*
 - *Construction of slice seeds...*
 - *Going from “Slice-seeds” to “Slices”*
 - *Slice refinement: 3-D clustering*
 - *Limitations... and how to overcome them*
 - *Adding ND muon-spectrometer hits*
 - *Current status x2*
 - *Future work*

Illustrating the basic idea



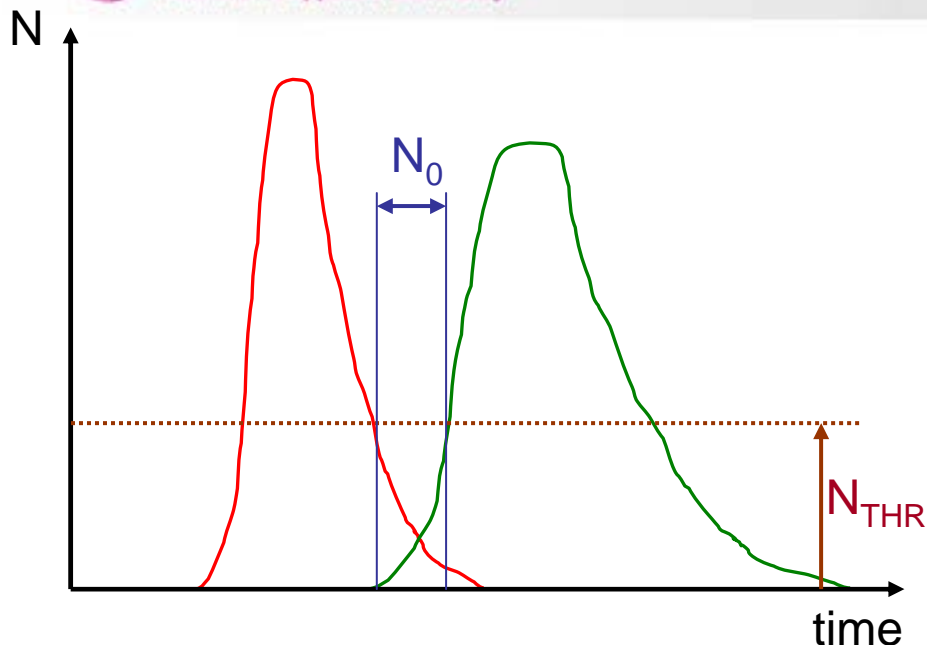
Obtain slice-seeds by
finding *time-profile peaks*

Resolve ambiguities
(overlaps in time) by
looking at topological information



*In reality, of course, things are
much more complex...*

The time-profile peak finder



The peak finder is used to **identify slice-seeds**
not the final slices.

Therefore, it has to be **fairly simple** & **very fast.**

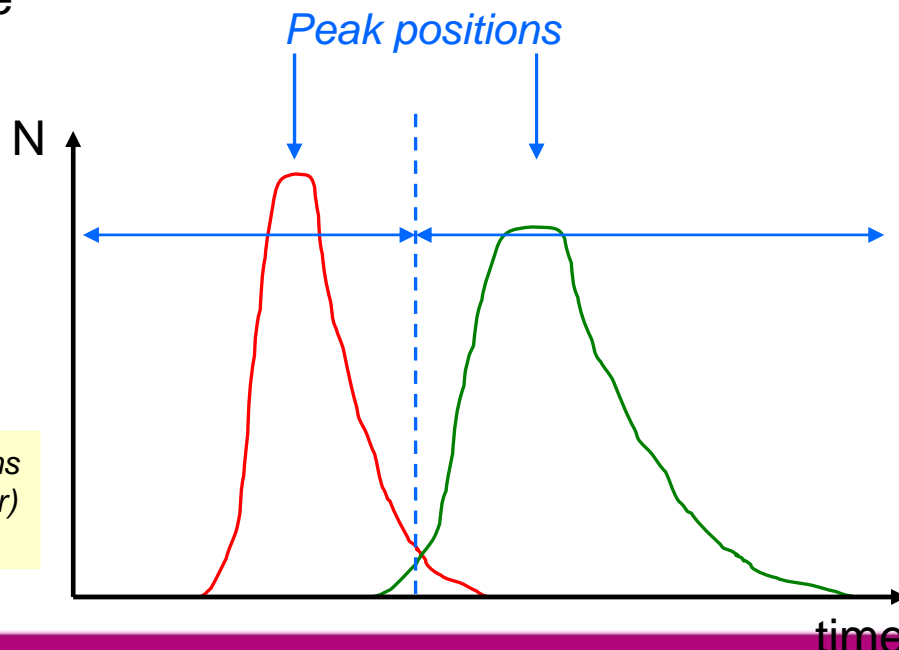
- Set a threshold N_{THR}
- Keep adding time bins to a slice-seed until you find N_0 empty time bins, after at least one non-empty time bin has been found

("empty" = content < N_{THR} , "non-empty" = content $\geq N_{THR}$)

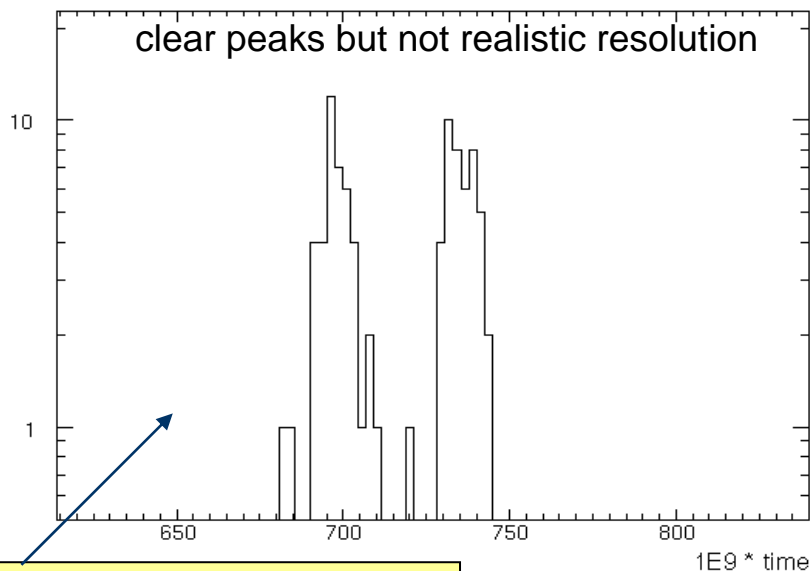
and then

- Calculate peak position as: $\langle t \rangle = \text{Sum}\{q_i \cdot t_i\} / \text{Sum}\{q_i\}$
- Share the 'time'-space between the two peaks proportionally to the peak charge

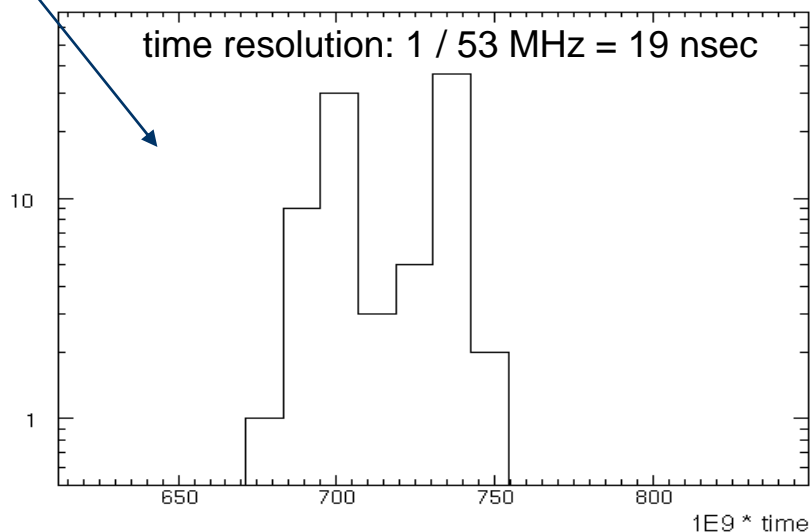
The peak-finder works with 3 externally supplied sets of params
(PeakFinderConf_t = kDefault, kLowActivity, kMuSpectrometer)
that are toggled internally



The effect of ND time resolution



same time profile
with different time resolution

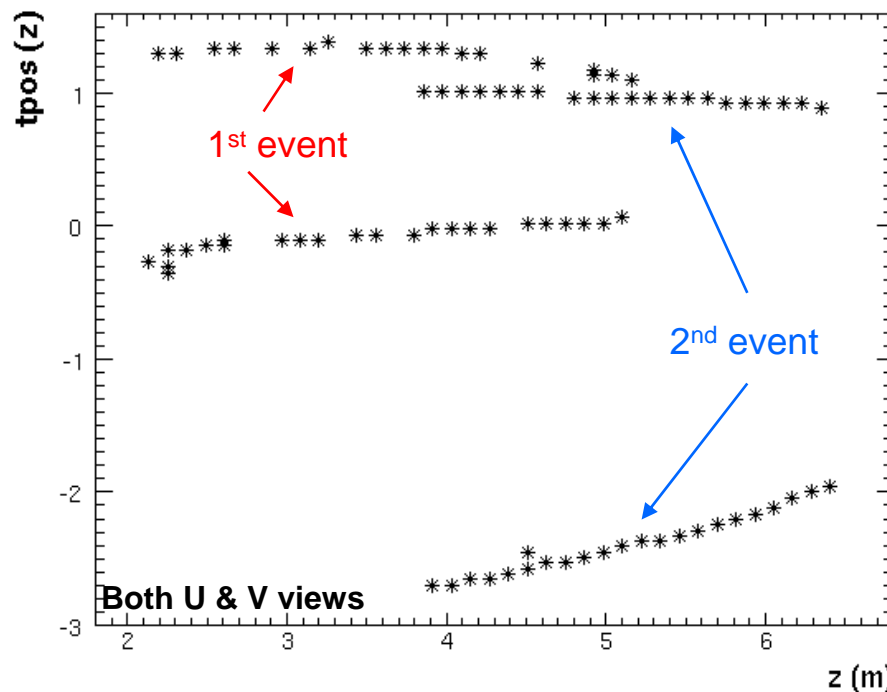


By increasing the time resolution I could, in principle, find almost all correct MC slices by the time I search for seeds !

BUT:

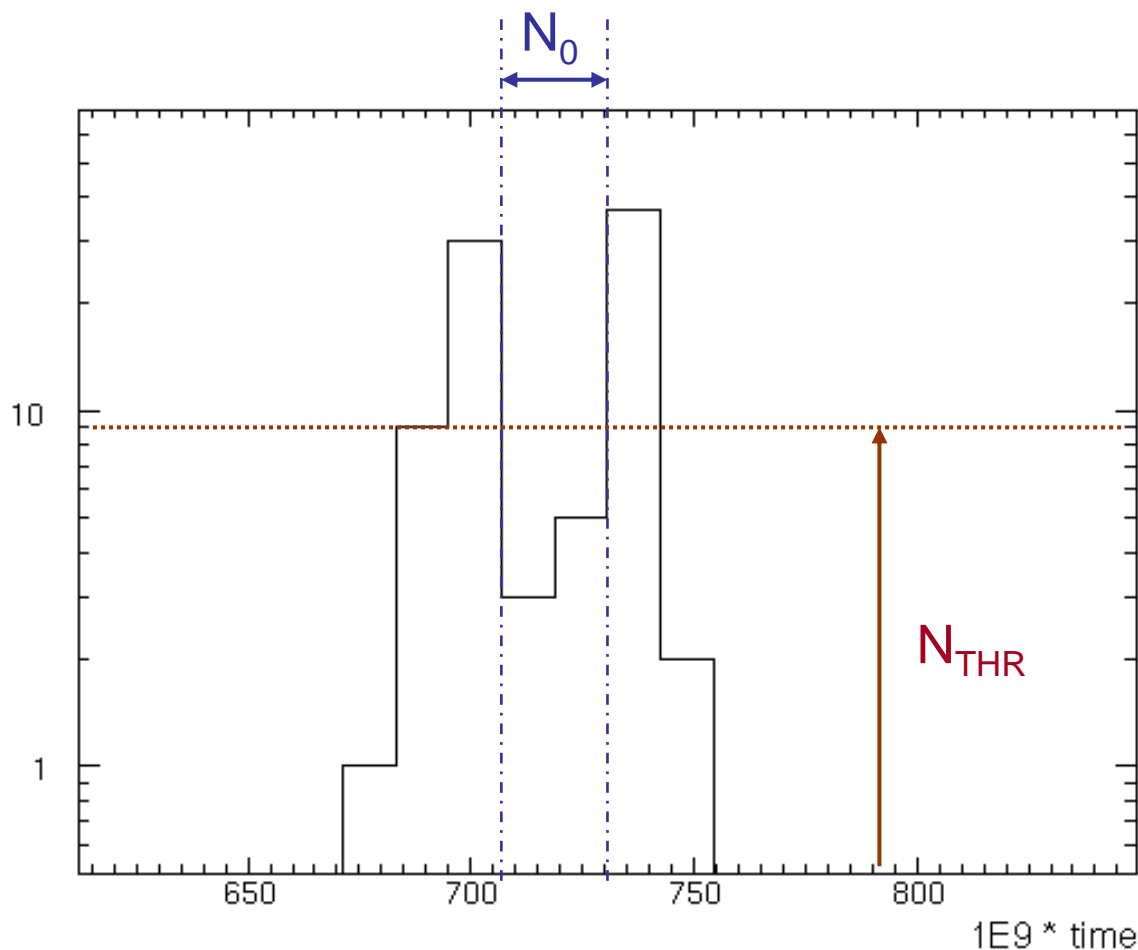
The ND time resolution depends on the Main Injector RF which clocks the QIE electronics

A peak finder with low threshold, for example, is easy to put both events in the same slice seed...



These events can be split, topologically, later
but the **seed finder must avoid it as much as possible**

Tuning the peak finder



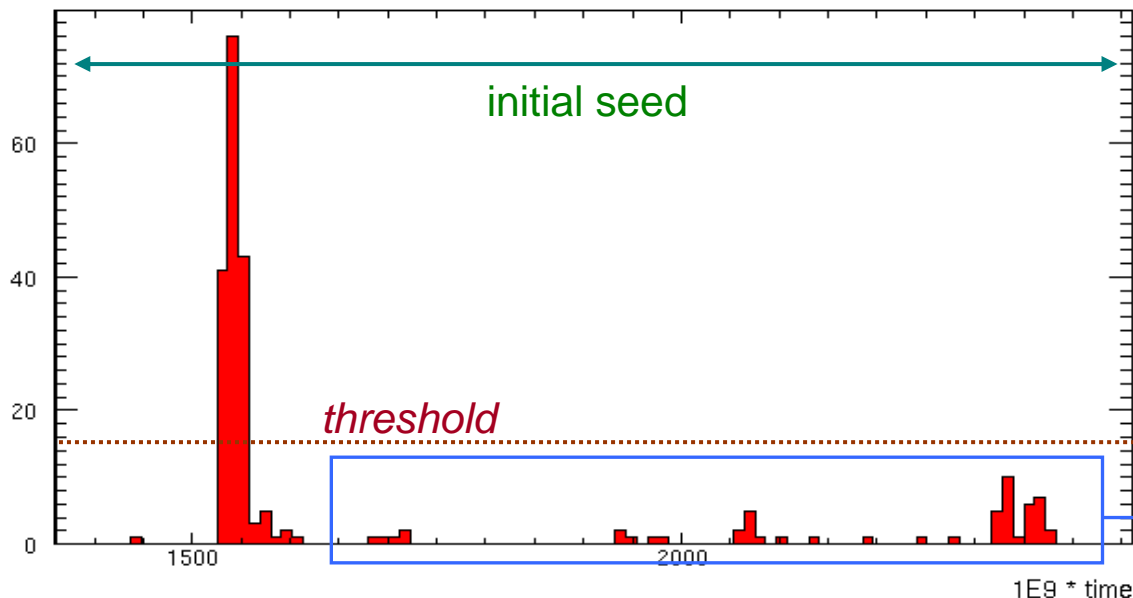
To make the peak finder more sensitive to partially overlapped events:

N_{THR} is set high

N_0 is set low

***In this way, reasonably overlapped events are split even during slice-seed search
but this causes other complications (next >>>)***

A 'recursive' peak finder



By setting the threshold high

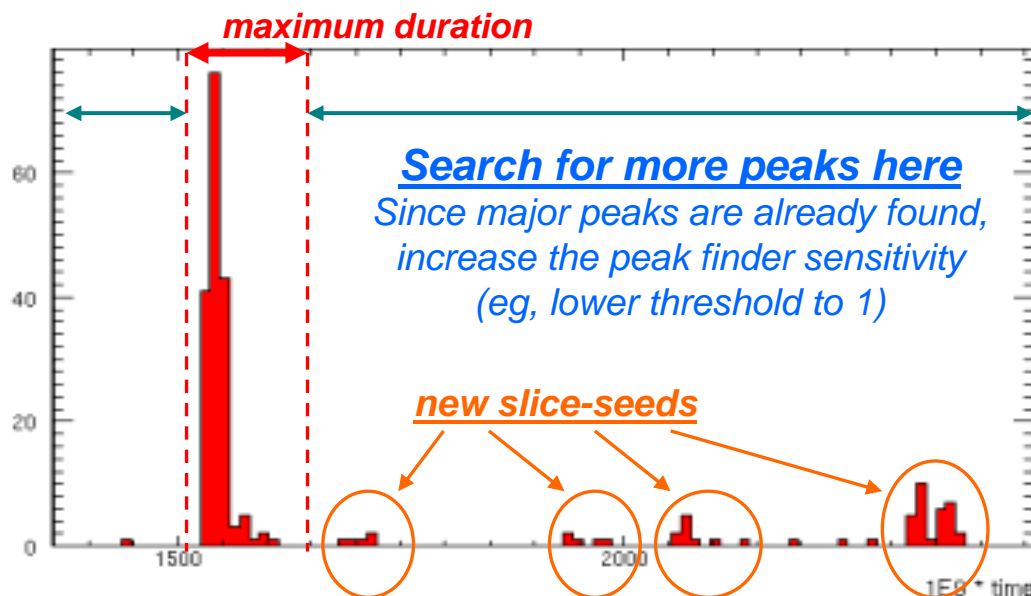
- NC's,
- nu_e 's,
- low Q^2 nu_μ CC's
- noise hits

Will tend to be "attached" to a nearby slice-seed corresponding to a highly energetic event...

Following Milind's suggestion I added in the config. the option to use a weighting scheme (eg. with charge). Weighting should reduce this effect.

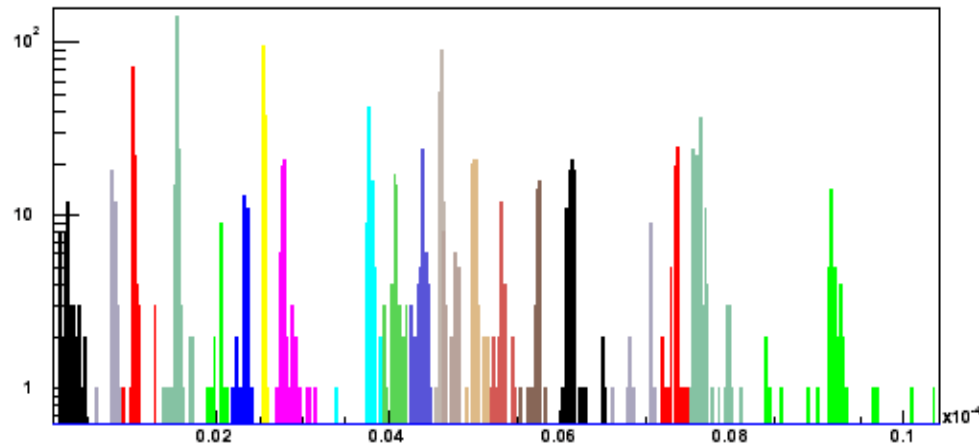
Solution:

- the peak-finder **restricts the duration of any slice-seed** to a given value
- it **toggles itself** into a **configuration state** with **higher sensitivity to smaller peaks**
- then, it **runs itself** on the 'de-allocated' parts of the time-profile to find more slice seeds



So, slice seeds can be found...

tb - time stamps

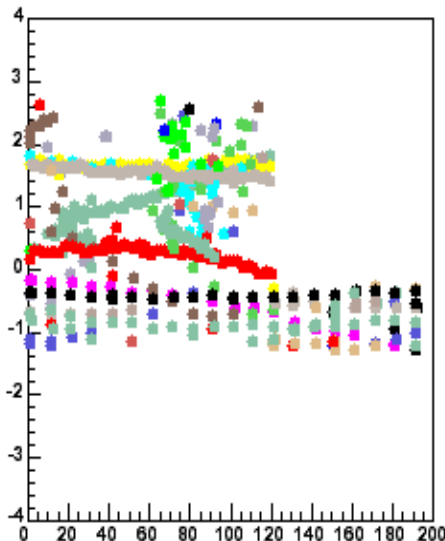


...and to 1st order they look correct and not very different from the “true” slices...

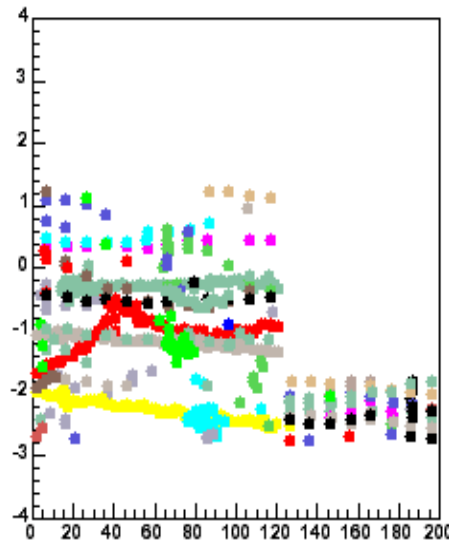
‘Evil things’ usually live in higher orders:

- *strips close to time boundaries might be assigned to a wrong slice-seed*
- *a slice-seed might contain two or more events, and therefore it must be searched for fine-structure and be split*
- *a real event might be split between one or more slice seeds and therefore these seeds need to be identified and merged*

UZ-view

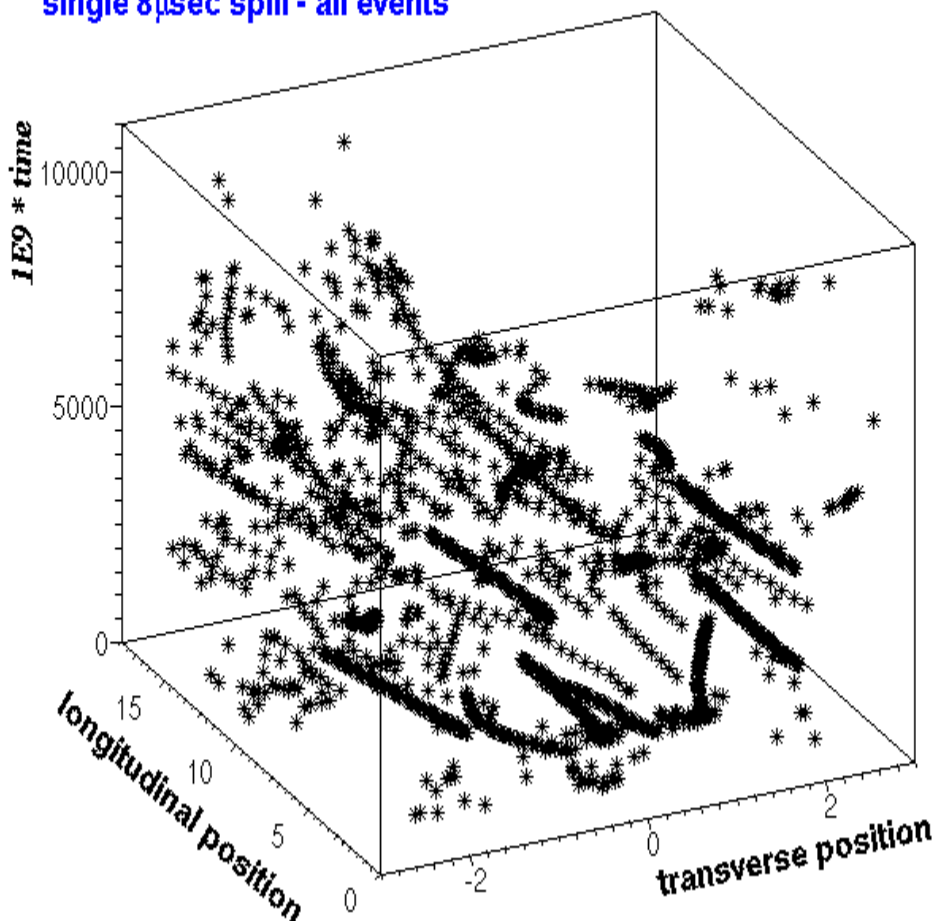


VZ-view



Going from “Slice-seeds” to “Slices”

single 8 μ sec spill - all events



- A **slice-seed** is a $[tmin, tmax]$ time interval...
- The **slice-seeds** are mutually exclusive.
- On the other hand, a **slice** is a collection of hit strips that do not correspond to “hard” time limits
- To go from **slice-seeds** to **slices** one has to:

use topological information and try to separate, in (tpos-z-time) 3-D space, events that overlap in time...

Next topic:

Slice refinement >>>

Slice refinement: 3-D clustering

I have 2 options for the 3-D clustering (both are well known & efficient)

A “Hierarchical method”

(Minimal Spanning Trees)

Better suits the task of finding substructure within existing slices and splitting them.

work in progress...

- I need better (the new) MC before I am able to develop the part of the package that searches for slice substructure.

A “Nonhierarchical method”

(k-Means clustering)

needs a prior estimate of the number of ‘clusters’
(I have the number of slice seeds)

work done... / testing

- I need to select a **clever cost function**
- Euclidian metric might not be the ultimate choice (tracks do not easily fit in a clustering algorithm although time clustering makes things better)
- Can I use some kind of **conformal mapping** prior to clustering?

A note on what I mean by 3-D clustering

There is an overloading of the term 'clustering' - What do I mean here?

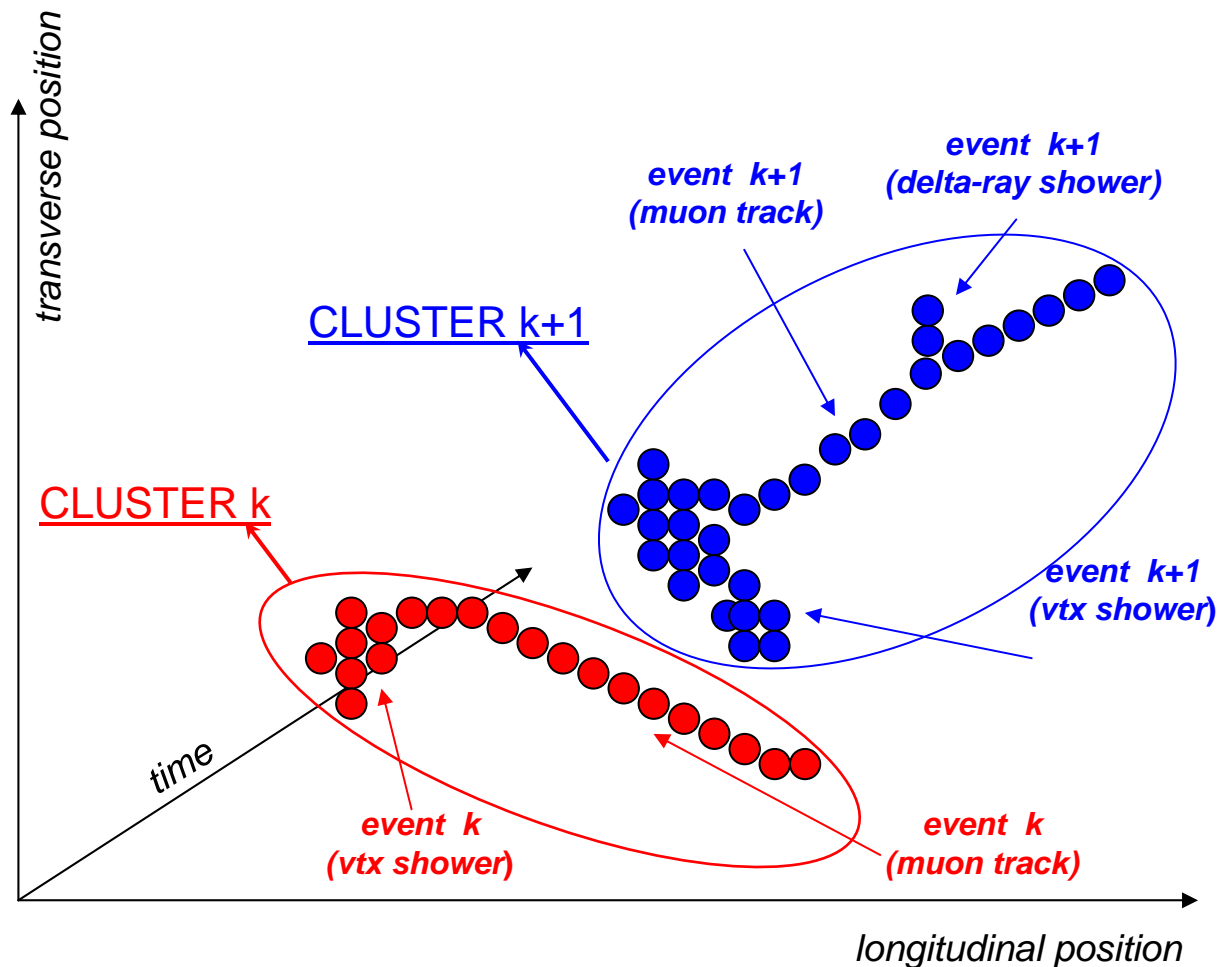
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~~Clustering of strips in
2 (or 3) spatial dimensions
to reconstruct shower-like formations
that belong to events~~

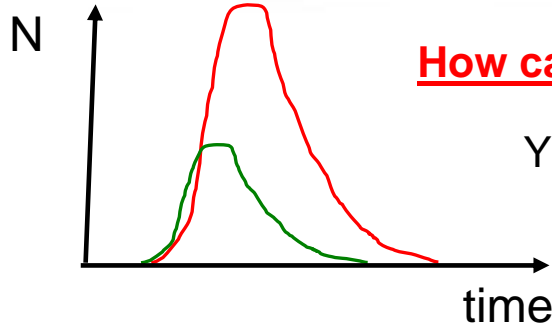
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Clustering of strips in
a multi-dimensional space of
2 (or 3) spatial and
1 temporal dimension
to reconstruct events

*(these strips might belong to either
tracks or showers)*



Limitations... and how to overcome them



How can I separate events that completely overlap in space AND time ?

You need reconstructed tracks & showers to have some chance but this happens at a later reconstruction stage...

There is a 'natural' approach:

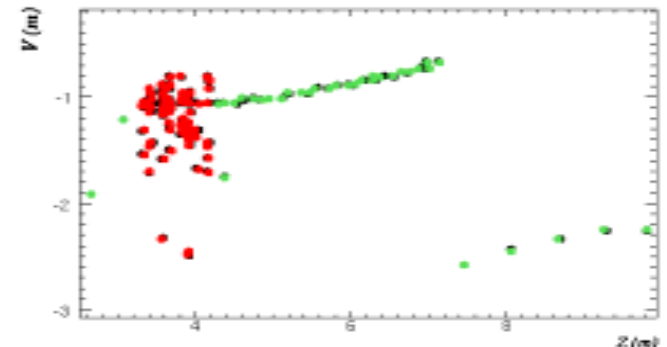
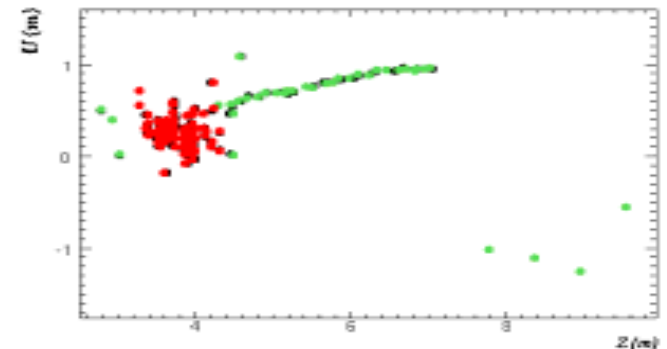
AltReco is a Neural Net – based Reco. package after all...

- ANNs are used for track / shower pattern recognition
- These neural nets do recognize neutrino 'event topology'
- The topology of 2 completely overlapped events should be different from the topology of a single event...

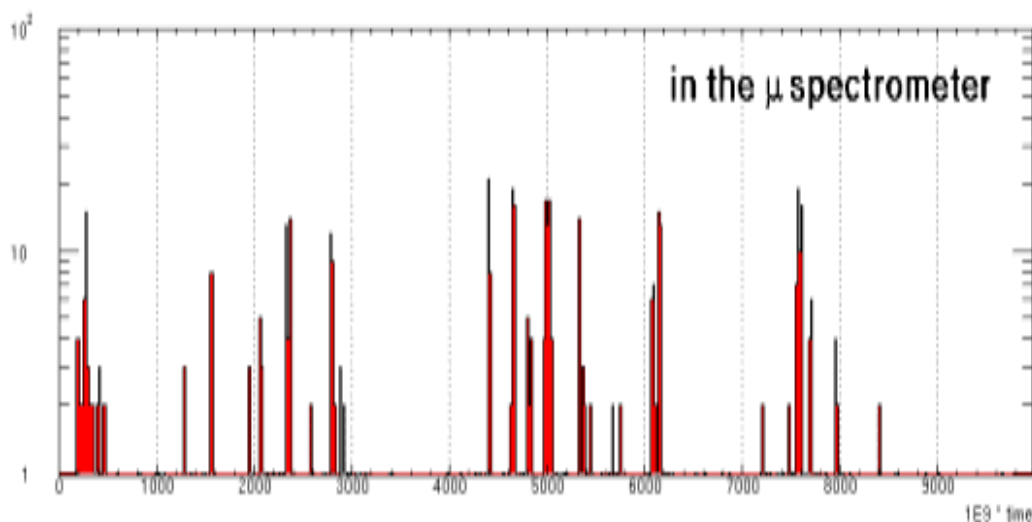
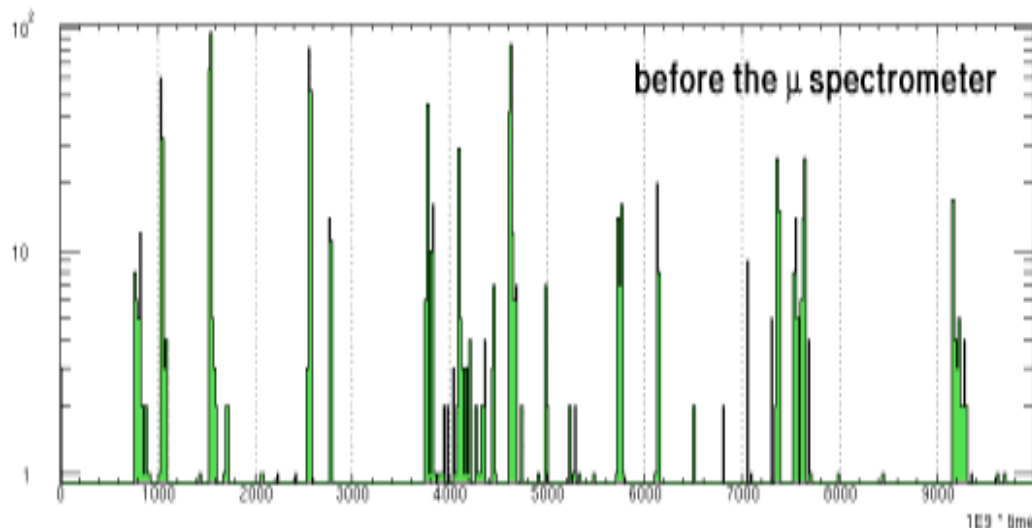
Proposal:

- Use the Neural Net to compute the likelihood that there is more than one event in a given reconstructed slice...
- Then, revisit 'event slicing' at the final reco. stages

*Results shown in the collab. meeting
on Neural Net – based
track / shower pattern recognition*



Hit strips @ muon spectrometer



During the initial algorithm stages the mu-spectrometer hit strips are ignored...

They are not demuxed yet and can not be used (in a straightforward way) during the 3-D (tpos – z – time) clustering.

After the slices are reconstructed:

*The algorithm runs again on muon spectrometer hit strips and **reconstructs more slices.***

*Then, it tries to **associate these new slices with the existing ones.***

For each new slice:

If an association is found

→ the slices are merged.

else

→ is added as a new slice

Hit strips @ muon spectrometer: spatial constraints

For making these slice associations,
apart from temporal information,
spatial information can also be used.

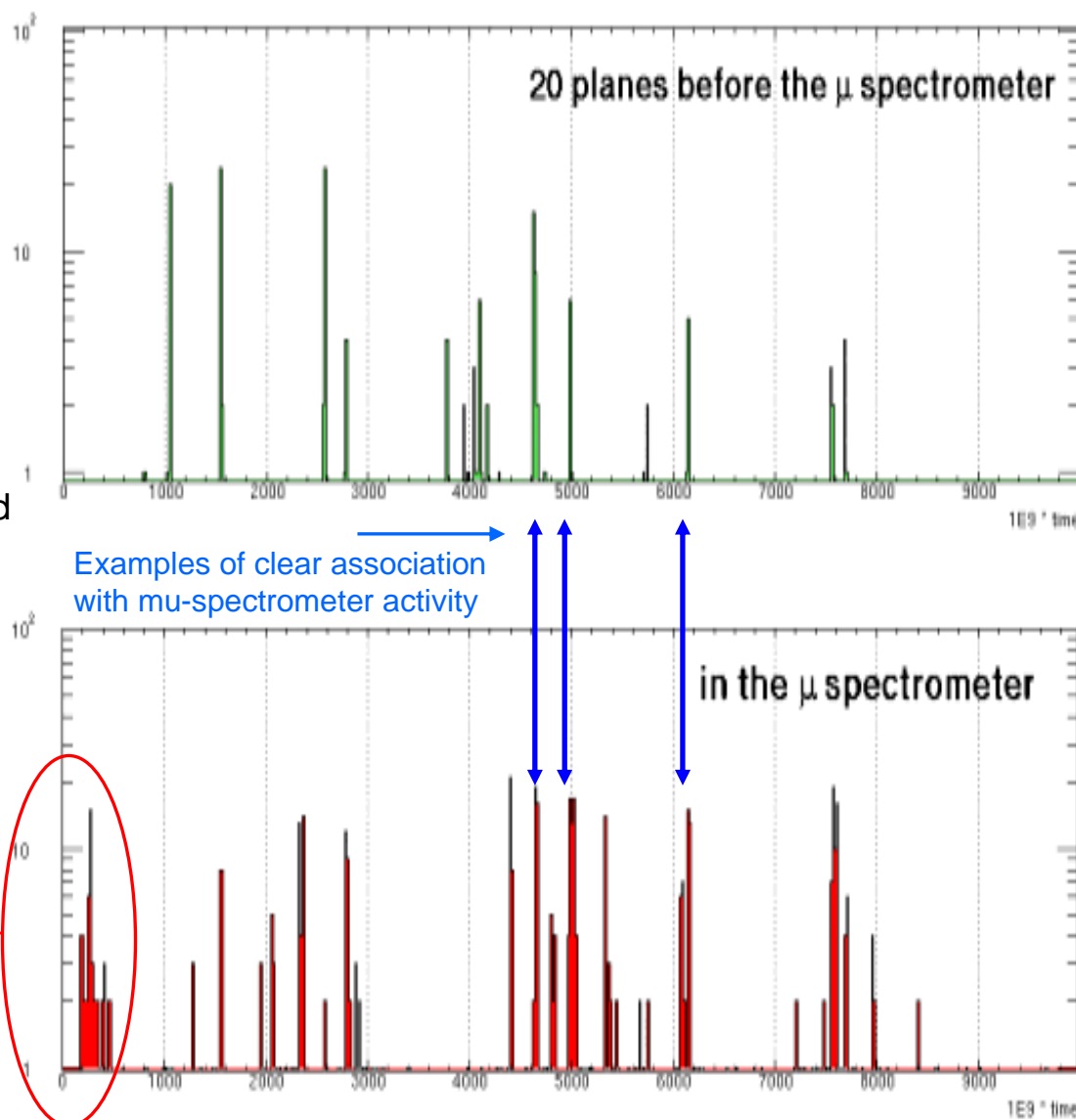
In the current approach:

*A slice that has activity
at the muon spectrometer
might also have some activity
just before the muon spectrometer.*

In this way some initial slices are rejected
and finding associations becomes
easier...

If it is needed, tpos info will be added to
reduce the combinatorials

eg. nothing before
the mu-spectrometer
to associate this with:
form a new slice to accommodate
these hit strips



Current Status --technical-issues

- All custom Candidate classes removed following recommendations by George I. & Robert H.
 - *code easier to maintain... removed all code duplication in the multiple 'custom' Candidate classes.*
 - *easier integration & use of standard output tree boosted development & debugging...*

BUT further development of AltReco package critically depends on 'promised' framework's new functionality (a Register-like 'mechanism' associated with each candidate):

- *I need to push Neural Net likelihoods to Candidate Strips (track / shower-likeness)*
- *I need to push Neural Net likelihoods to Candidate Slices (for overlapped events)*

- The new C++ Monte Carlo is needed before I am able to go much further with the event slicing algorithm

Good news: Nathaniel T.'s work on DetSim will provide this functionality. This requires his photon transport code which will be available in < 1 month.

- Other technical problems (extra functionality in Navigation tools, MySQL & CVS issues in my laptop's minossoft installation) resolved (thanks Brett V., Alex S., Nick W. & my hard-working gcc compiler...)

This saved me lot of time.

No obstacle right now for further development / optimization of AltReco package

Future work (next 2-3 weeks)

- *test / work on recursive peak-finder methods for slice-seed construction*
- *test / work on k-Means 3-D clustering / tuning cost function parameters.*
- *add “infrastructure” for splitting slices if topology is consistent with multiple events*

← **cvs commit at this point**

A small part of AltReco package (some older version of event slicing alg.) is committed to CVS for testing purposes...

The latest version of Event Slicing algorithm [1] will be committed later this week.

Most likely I will not commit the Neural Net parts [2] of the package yet...

[1] algorithms for building CandSliceLists & CandSlices, JobC module & macros, SRT/GNU makefile, LinkDef, wrapper classes for STL etc...

[2] Neural net functions, support classes for using Neural Nets in AltReco, algorithms for constructing CandEventLists (CandTrackLists & CandShowerLists) after applying the ANN for track / shower pattern recognition, JobC module, etc...

- *More work on MST (Minimal Spanning Tree) – based 3-D clustering for slice splitting*

← **DetSim / PhotonTransport at this point**

- *Neural nets for examining slice topology...*
- *... ..*